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Chamber Of Commerce Plan For Tourist Season

Comfort Station Urged As Public Convenience For Tourists Here

Disappointment was expressed by President J. C. Anderson at the meeting of the Sidney and North Saanich Chamber of Commerce at the lack of action of the Membership committee. "We have lost one of the most valuable of our formation months," he said. It was stated that the shortage of help had made such committee work particularly difficult at this season, but the lack of a report from the committee was noted with regret by the president of the group.

The meeting, which was held at the Sidney Hotel, was a sudden switch from the usual K.P. Hall, a special meeting of the Pythian Sisters necessitated the change. Mr. Bellingham, manager of the hotel was introduced to the membership and expressed his willingness to co-operate with the group in the forwarding of the district.

Following a brief discussion of the revision of the membership fees, a formal motion set the fees at a general \$5 fee for businesses and \$3 for members at large.

Mr. Anderson told the group that the election of the executive of five would again be deferred until a more general representative coverage of the North Saanich District was present. "We need the help and support of everyone in the district," he said. "This group is formed for the advancement of the district at large, and not for Sidney alone. We need farmers, fishermen, bulb-growers, any of the groups who make their living here." He also expressed the desire to see private individuals, not interested in commerce, join as members at large. "We have a vast fund of experienced men in the district who we hope, will take an active part in the organization," he said.

A recommendation from the

Retail Merchants' committee was adopted by the group covering Christmas week store hours. Stores will open on Monday afternoon for the convenience of last-minute shoppers.

Discussing ways and means of notifying members and non-members of the meetings of the Chamber of Commerce.

Christmas Week Shopping

Recommendation of the Retail Merchants' committee of the Chamber of Commerce was adopted as follows for the holiday season:

Retail Stores will remain open all day Monday, Dec. 23 and Tuesday, Dec. 24 until 5.30 p.m.

Usual Store hours will be observed for the first week in January, with New Year's Day a holiday.

ber, J. G. Mitchell suggested that a form letter be sent to all non-members, outlining the aims and objects and other pertinent data of the organization, the letter would also carry the date of the next meeting.

The need for action was also evidenced in a motion which would allow the president to rename committee heads who did not present a report within 30 days.

The need for a public comfort (Continued on Page Seven)

Jack Bowers and J. A. Kirkpatrick represented Mitchell & Anderson Ltd. at the electric appliance dealers' banquet sponsored by the B.C. Electric in the Empress Hotel on Monday evening. W. Mainwaring, for the B.C. Electric, spoke on the problems of the industry.

Customs Office Entered, Cash Is Missing

The Sidney Customs office was entered late Thursday night and the sum of \$25 is reported missing. Entry was believed to have been made through the back door, which was found open on Friday morning.

Papers had been disturbed and cupboards ransacked by the burglars in the search for valuables.

No Federal funds were taken, according to Donald Smith, in charge of the Customs office. The \$25 missing was from a cardboard box left on the counter. It was part of the funds of the Sidney Rotary Club, Mr. Smith is secretary-treasurer of the club, and it was his custom to keep small change in the box.

Mr. Smith left the office at 5 o'clock Thursday evening and discovered the back door open on Friday morning. Constables J. Gibault and Sinclair of the Provincial Police were immediately notified.

Board Honors E.C. Head At Final Meeting

Following the business meeting of the School Board on Monday evening in Sidney, E. C. Head was honoured at a surprise party held by Board members in the office on Third Street.

The executive table was covered with a gay Christmas cloth, candles were lit and sandwiches and cake with coffee served.

Mr. Head, who has served since the amalgamation of part of Saanich with North Saanich and James Island, is no longer eligible to sit on the Board, regulations require that the trustees must reside in the district governed.

A. Sansbury, asked to give the toast to Mr. Head, told of the fine work done by Mr. Head on the Maintenance and Construction committee. "It is significant that these candles and these gay Christmas decorations have been arranged by the secretary to-night," he said, "they are not for me." He told of the pleasure he (Continued on Page Six)

Rody Turner Wins Stock Contest Award

A Shorthorn steer, exhibited by Rody Turner, teen-age son of James Turner, Royal Oak, B.C., won the grand championship at the Provincial Christmas Fat Stock Show at Kamloops early this month.

Young Turner also won the Junior Farmers' showmanship contest. He also won three special awards.

RETURNED AGAIN



MARTIN NEILSON,
School Board chairman.

Martin Neilson, chairman of the School Board for School District 63, was returned by acclamation at the Saanich election on Saturday. Mrs. E. Bryce was also returned with no contesting candidates.

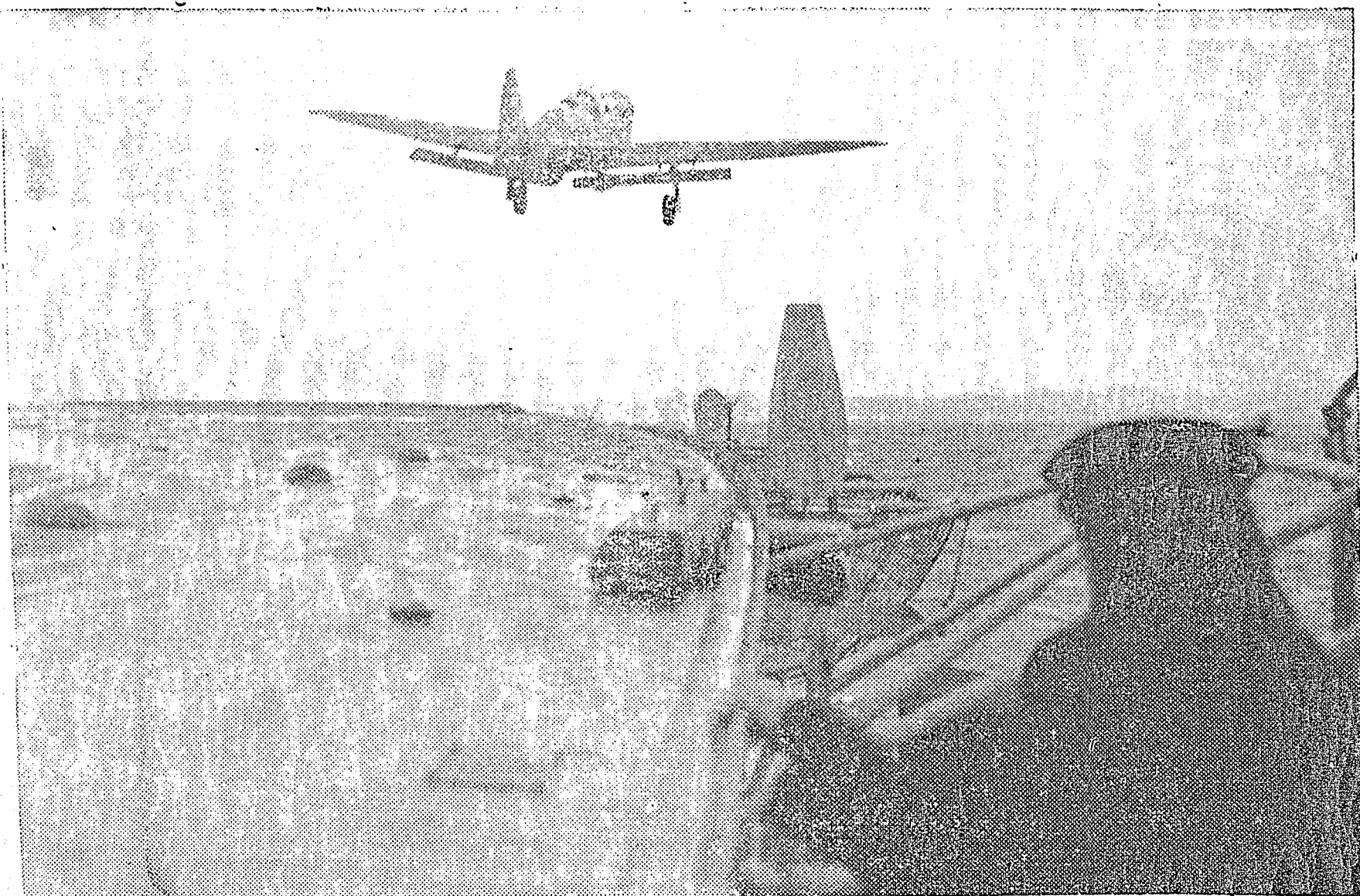
P. Thorpe was elected to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of E. C. Head, who, due to the rearrangement of the School District, was not eligible to run for the Saanich School Board.

THE WEATHER

The following is the meteorological record for week ending Dec. 15, furnished by Dominion Experimental Station:

Maximum temperature	62
Minimum temperature	36
Minimum on the grass	28
Sunshine (hours)	2.9
Rainfall (inches)	1.20
Snow (inches)	3.80
Total precipitation	1.58

Fireflies Leave Nest



First of the 12 reconnaissance Firefly planes of the H.M.C.S. Warrior shown leaving the deck of the carrier off Sidney. Once airborne, the planes went into formation and roared over Sidney as they circled the field at Patricia Bay waiting their turn to land.

School Board Set Budget At \$88,000 For 1947

Challenge "Unfair System" Of Dept. Asking Budget Before New Board Sits

Saanich School Board No. 63, pondered the budget for 1947 at the regular meeting on Monday. Finance Chairman F. J. Baker told the Board that the budget should have been submitted to the department in November, various factors had made this impossible, he said.

Martin Neilson, chairman of the Board challenged the request as "unfair." "It means," he said, "that the new Board will have no say whatsoever in the administration of the district?" "None whatever," replied Mr. Baker. "Then I think it ridiculous," said the chairman.

In setting the budget Mr. Baker stated that the original figure of \$85,000 had been revised due to expenditures for Mr. Newton school, for tools, etc., and for the regular increase in teachers' salaries. Thus the figure would be approximately \$88,000.

Mr. Baker stated that accounts totalling \$12,414.79 had been passed for payment. Of this sum \$8,225.61 was for moving of Army Huts, painting and other work in connection with the huts which had been moved to district schools.

The Board was applying for a grant of 60 per cent of that sum. If the government granted the money the Board would end the year with a small surplus. It was still in doubt, however, said Mr. Baker, as the Department of Education had not yet approved grants for transportation or construction.

THE BUS FLEET

The question as to whether or not the Board should purchase its own fleet of school buses was when Mr. Neilson suggested that the district would benefit by the purchase. Present contract with a private company would expire in June. Mr. Neilson stated that the Board could operate its own

buses with a saving to the board. "They would be very useful for extra curriculum work," he said.

A. Sansbury did not agree. He thought that more thought should be given the matter. He outlined a plan whereby much of the transportation problem would be done away with. By building a new school in the centre of the zone where the heavy population was, the need to transport children would be done away with.

Where Do You Live?

The North Saanich Rehabilitation Committee are anxious to get in touch with the R.C.A.P. veterans with a sick wife, who lives in the district but who omitted to place his address on a questionnaire recently sent out by the committee.

Mr. Neilson pointed out that the expressed policy of the Department of Education had been for even fewer High Schools. . . one good High School instead of several. Mr. Baker said that the problem amounted to what the district could afford to give in the way of education.

Commenting on the money saved taxpayers by the purchase of the Army Huts, Mr. Sansbury gave figures showing that the Board had spent \$8,225 for six new rooms and a Forge shop. The value of these buildings was estimated to be \$38,000, he said. All of the buildings were now in use.

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Mrs. H. O'Hara, stenographer at the School Board office, left on Sunday for a month's vacation at Revelstoke.

HELP SOUGHT FOR STRICKEN BOY

Knights Of Pythias Open Fund For 11-Year Walter Jacobson

A fund to aid little Walter Jacobson, 11-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Jacobson, Roberts Bay, was opened this week by the Sidney Lodge of the Knights of Pythias.

On Jan. 1, the boy, while taking part in a race at the Memorial Park, Sidney, fell. At the time there was no apparent injury, but shortly afterwards the boy developed an ailment which caused him to lose his sense of balance.

Immediately placed under medical care the lad was examined by Vancouver and Victoria doctors. He began to lose weight, lost his power of speech and also the use of his limbs.

Consultation with specialists in the United States was recommended and on Sunday the lad's

father left with the boy for Day-ent, Iowa.

Funds to cover the journey have been advanced by individual members of the K.P. Lodge, but \$500 is the minimum sum estimated for the journey. The Knights of Pythias are therefore appealing for assistance for this worth-while cause. All local organizations will be contacted and individual donations are sought.

Mrs. Jacobson, who remained at her home in Sidney to care for the other children in the family, states that Walter, before his illness, was a bright, happy youngster. The lad is blonde, with blue eyes.

Those wishing to assist this fund are asked to send donations to K.P. Lodge, Sidney, or to The Review Office, Third Street, Sidney.

Planes From Warrior Land At Base Here

With a fine display of precision flying, the aircraft from the Light Fleet Carrier Warrior landed at Patricia Bay on Sunday, after cruising on the carrier from Halifax.

The Fireflies, a type of plane not easily recognized by local residents, caused much interest to citizens of North Saanich. Since the cessation of hostilities, formation flying has become a rare sight. Well schooled in identification of most types of land-based planes, hundreds of district residents were "stumped" by the stubby, powerful-looking navy planes. The 12 Fireflies of Squadron 825 circled the field at Patricia Bay several times as they awaited their turn to land.

Pilots of the planes were: Lieut. C. R. Gavel and Sub-Lieut. S. E. Sovard, Lieut.-Cmdr. O. W. Tattersall, Lieut. R. E. Bartlett, Lieut. J. P. Lowe, Lieut. J. B. Potheringham, Lieut. T. W. Wall, Lieut. D. W. Knox, Lieut. D. D. Penocke, Lieut. B. A. H. Cartwright, Lieut. A. Liley and Lieut. C. A. Bourque.

Observers were Lieut. P. H. Grady, Lieut. J. M. Pavereau, Lieut. J. Lewis, Lieut. R. D. Fagan, Lieut. P. R. Swanson, Lieut. M. J. Arpin, Lieut. W. L. D. Farrel, Sub-Lieut. W. J. Ewins, Sub-Lieut. D. B. Gill, and Sub-Lieut. R. E. Quirt.

Lieut.-Cmdr. Tattersall is Officer Commanding the Squadron at

Patricia Bay. Christmas leave for the Squadron commences today (Wednesday).

The Warrior is equipped with two huge lifts for bringing planes from the hangar to the flight deck, and also has an accelerator for catapulting planes into the air.

The aircraft took off from the flight deck with a 35-mile wind blowing across the deck, eight knots more than normal for a take-off. Skipper of the large vessel, Capt. F. L. Houghton, C.B.E., R.C.N., is delighted with both ship and her crew. "I haven't a fault to find with her," he said on Sunday, at the conclusion of the 8,000-mile cruise from Halifax.

Full wartime crew of the Warrior is 1,350, when she arrived in Victoria on Sunday the carrier had a crew of 1,019. Normally she carries two squadrons of aircraft, but her squadron of Sea-fire Fighters was left at Halifax for technical modifications.

Capt. Houghton, who has had command of Warrior since her commissioning, leaves the ship this week for a shore appointment.

Miss Helen Brethour arrived on Wednesday to spend Christmas holidays at her home on Oakland Avenue. She is a student at the University of British Columbia.

"THE PARENTS ARE TO BLAME"

PLACES BLAME ON PARENTS FOR JUVENILE DELINQUENTS

Roy Fletcher, governor of Rotary District No. 101, speaking before the Sidney Club on Wednesday, said that the youth problem of today could be solved if parents took a greater interest in their children. "Youth is not a problem," said Mr. Fletcher, "it is the parents who are to blame in most cases."

He emphasized that youth must be shown the way and that those best suited for this job were the parents. He urged a stronger relationship between the parents and their children.

Addressing members of the Sidney Club on Rotary aims, Mr.

Fletcher said that the greatest need of the world today was friendship. "The job must start at home if it was to be successful in international circles," he said.

Frank Stanton, president of the club, thanked the speaker. Len Hobbs, president of the Victoria club, and other Victoria members were present at the Sidney meeting.

A collection was taken for a wreath for the Sooko boys who were killed in a motorcar accident recently. The money was added to a fund which purchased a wreath from the community of Sidney.

Rest Haven Choir Please Large Audience In Cantata

The large lounge at Rest Haven Sanitarium was filled on Thursday evening when the Rest Haven choir, assisted by visiting artists, gave a sacred concert and Christmas Cantata. In his opening remarks, C. A. Perendum, chaplain, told of the universal attraction of good music.

He mentioned also, that the viola used by George Freeman during the concert was made by Mr. Freeman's father, in Victoria. The Cantata "The First Christmas," by Ira B. Wilson, was illus-

trated with colored lantern slides which were shown on a screen as the choir sang.

Program was as follows:
Silent Night, Holy Night, male quartet; It Came Upon the Midnight Clear, Nick Vlkachuk, H. A. Munson, Herbert Goertzen, A. K. Elvedahl; O Holy Night, vocal duet, Mrs. H. A. Munson, Mrs. Nick Vlkachuk; Silent Night, Largo from the New World Symphony, Dvorak, instrumental trio, Mrs. Harold Davies, marimba, G. (Continued on Page Six)

SIX MONTHS ON 500-TON SAILING VESSEL

Tells Of Early Days Here

Members of the Victoria branch of the B.C. Historical Society listened with interest on Friday evening when Major A. D. Macdonald read part of his father's diary. Senator W. J. Macdonald, the first British Columbia senator after Confederation, arrived in the Fort at Victoria in 1851, after a six-month passage from England in the 500-ton sailing vessel "Tory." It is interesting to note that the Aircraft Carrier Warrior displaces 18,000 tons,

thus giving a slight idea of the tiny "Tory."

On the voyage the water and supplies went rotten, and the ship was forced to put in at various ports for replenishments.

In spite of the size of the ship 20 first class passengers were carried, 22 2nd class and 90 steerage.

Mrs. M. R. Cree, newly-elected president of the branch took over her new duties from Major H. C. Holmes, retiring president.

CHILLY WHEN TOLD NOW

DIVES FOR FATHER'S GLASSES . . . RECOVERS TWO PAIRS FROM OCEAN

"I was most annoyed, my spectacles dropped and sank to the bottom in 15 feet of water." It was P. J. Baker, telling of his loss to Board members at the party for Mr. Head on Monday evening.

"Bruce, my boy, was there, and I offered him \$5 to recover them."

Down went the lad to the bottom and splashed back to the surface with not one, but two pairs of glasses.

"Believe it or not," said Mr. Baker, "the second pair was the pair I had lost a year before!" No, it did not happen this week. . . it was two years ago, and was just part of the conversation at the table.

Publishing Dates for THE REVIEW

Correspondents and advertisers are asked to note that the next issue of The Review will be on Monday, Dec. 23. As Christmas Day falls on our regular publishing day. Those desiring Christmas Greetings or any other advertising are asked to have copy ready in time for this date.

First issue in the new year will be on Thursday, Jan. 2, instead of Wednesday, Jan. 1.

Rex Theatre Packed For Rotary Concert

Many were unable to get in to the Rex Theatre on Friday evening when the Sidney Rotary Club staged their first Variety Concert in aid of the Community Fund.

President Frank Stanton, who opened the show, said that refunds would be forthcoming to ticket holders, or the tickets would be good for a future performance. He portrayed mixed feelings, happy that the theatre was filled to capacity, but sad because some were unable to gain admittance.

L. J. Goss, who acted as master of ceremonies, was delayed in the front of the theatre when the truck bringing additional chairs, blocked the road temporarily. . . he received a hearty welcome when he arrived on the stage.

Hard working members of the Rotary Club had built the stage during the morning and wiring for footlights and installation of a loud speaking system by Magee

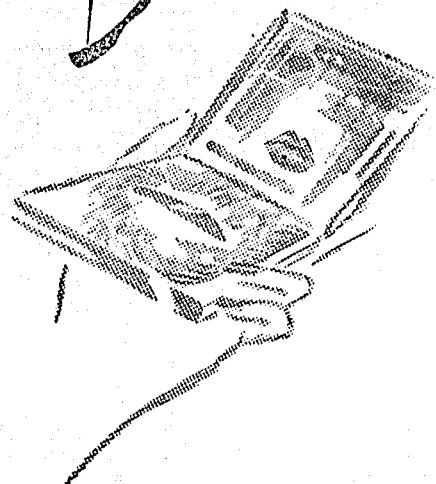
and McLellan had all been done on the morning of the day of the show.

The program followed: Mrs. Stanton and her magic violin, accompanied at the piano by her brother, Ernest Sexton; Mrs. Christian and the Sidney School Rhythm Band; Miss Dorothy and Miss Shirley Pearson, tap dancers; Miss Hilda McKeever, soprano solo; Ken Warner and entertainers—Radio Dieross, piano; Ken Warner, guitar, and Al. Foster, Hawaiian guitar; Tom Morgan at the drums; Miss Lois Brown and M. C. Jackson, vocal duet; Roy Taylor, one-man band, guitar and mouth-organ; Miss Anne Thorsberg, vocalist.

At the conclusion of the performance the entire audience joined in singing "White Christmas."

The Rotary committee was headed jointly by Tommy Sims and Stan Watling. Stage numbers were arranged and assembled by Mr. Sims.

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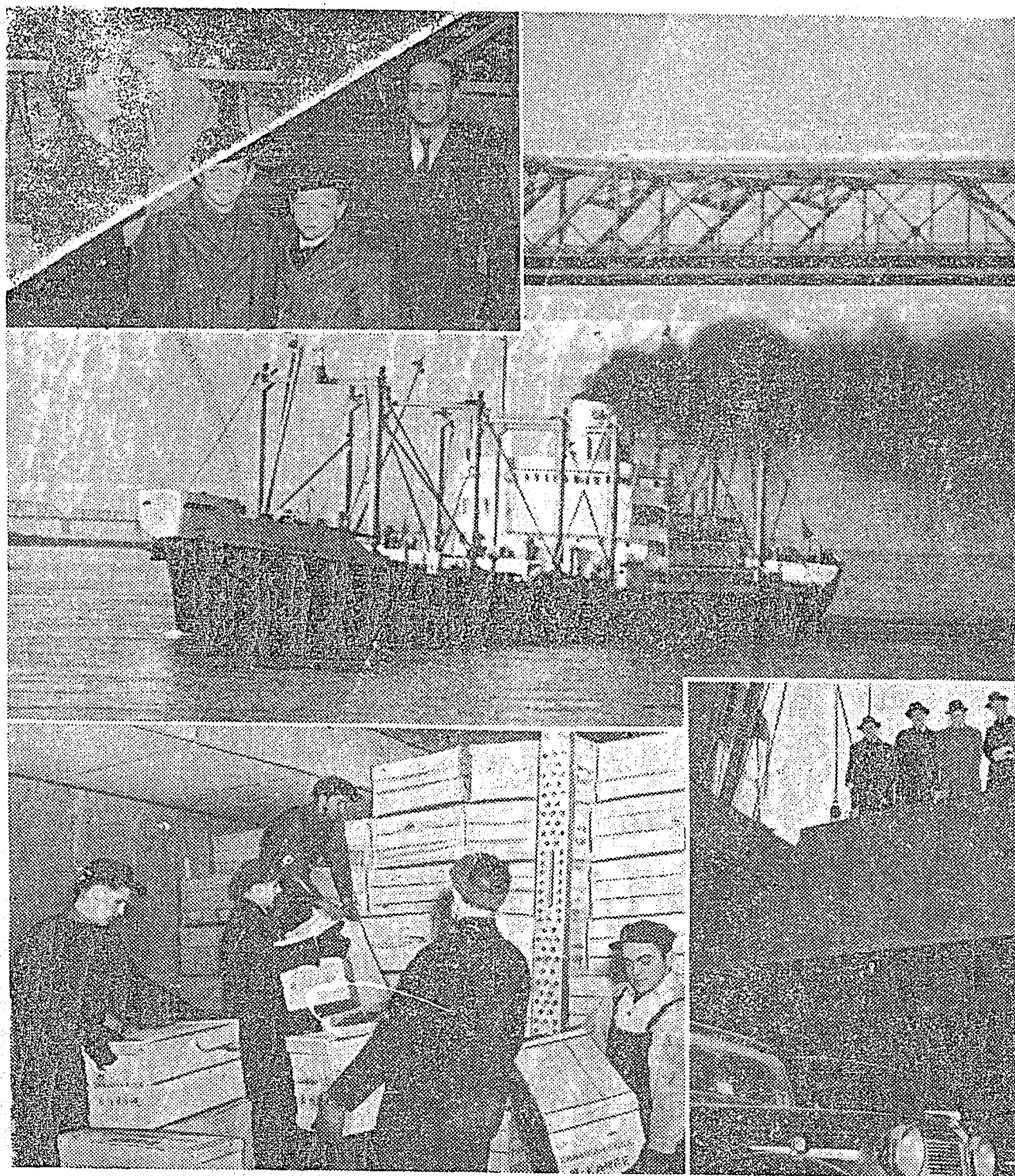
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Back on the seas again, the growing Canadian Pacific Beaver fleet of fast cargo ships carried some 200,000 tons of foodstuffs and other Canadian products to Britain during the Montreal shipping season. Above, the heavily-laden Beaverleng passes under

Jacques Cartier Bridge bound for London on one of the 20 C.P.S.S. sailings during the summer. Inset at top shows the family of George Nicholls, formerly of London, England, arriving on the Beaverburn to settle in Canada

at Niagara Falls. Bottom left, shows part of a large shipment of eggs being loaded on the Beaverlake. Picture at bottom right, shows some small English cars arriving in Canada on the Beaverlake when she reached Montreal on her maiden trip.



Complete reorganization of the B.C. Social Welfare Department, designed to make possible speedier action on social assistance applications and investigations, has been announced by E. W. Griffith, deputy minister of welfare. The main purpose behind the reorganization, designed on a plan of decentralization of supervisors from the offices in Victoria and Vancouver, is to place supervisors in the field throughout the province, thus eliminating to a very large degree the former reports, recommendations and often long drawn-out correspondence before decisions could be reached.

Under the reorganization, the province has been divided into five regions. No. 1 takes in all Vancouver Island, with headquarters in Victoria; No. 2, the Lower Mainland and Mackenzie area; No. 3, Kamloops, part of Cariboo and the Okanagan; No. 4, the Kootenays, including Grand Forks and Greenwood, and No. 5, Prince George to the northern boundary, including the Peace River.

Each case-work supervisor will be in charge of two or more district offices, and will have authority to make decisions without reference higher.

TIMBER TO BE SOLD

Timber on the 5,000 acres of B.C. land near the British Columbia-United States boundary which will be flooded by a hydro-electric development of the City of Seattle, will be sold by the province, it was announced by the Hon. E. T. Kenney, minister of lands and forests.

The department has been working for some time on details of compensation which will be asked for the land which is to be flooded in an expansion of hydro projects.

U.B.C. TENDERS
Deadline for tenders called for electrical ground service on the University of British Columbia campus and for extension to the university's powerhouse has been extended to noon, Jan. 10.

Tenders will be opened in the office of the Hon. E. C. Carson, minister of public works at that time.

OTHER TENDERS

The Public Works Department has also called for tenders for an addition to the mine-rescue station at Fernie. Closing date for these tenders will be Dec. 23. Plans and specifications can be secured from the Public Works Department in Victoria and from the office of the government agent in the courthouse at Fernie.

TOURIST BOOKLET

Preparation of a new Auto Courts and Resort booklet listing all licensed auto courts and resorts in British Columbia, entering to the travelling public, is under way by the British Columbia Government Travel Bureau and is expected to be ready for distribution early in 1947, the Hon. L. H. Byres, minister of trade and industry has announced.

SETTLERS' INQUIRIES

The ever-growing attraction of British Columbia as a desirable province in which to settle is evinced by the large number of from every corner of the world inquiries which are being received by the Settlers' Information branch of the B.C. Government Travel Bureau. Mr. Byres stated, "The situation is one which illustrates the growing stature of British Columbia as one of the finest areas for the prospective settlers," the minister remarked.



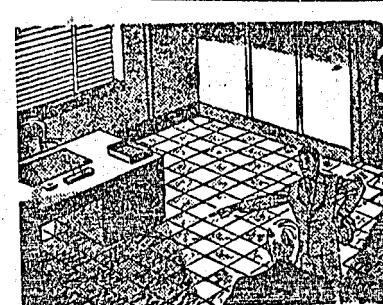
SCOUTS AND CUBS

The Scout and Cub meetings this week took the form of a joint Scout and Cub party at the Scout Hall on Friday, when honours pennants were presented to the leading Patrol and Six, name-Bulldog Patrol and Tawny Six. Dr. Newton, chairman of the group committee, presented the pennants to Patrol Leader Dalton and Sixer Gibbons, respectively. After this games were enjoyed and the party wound up with distribution of Christmas presents and hot dogs and pop.

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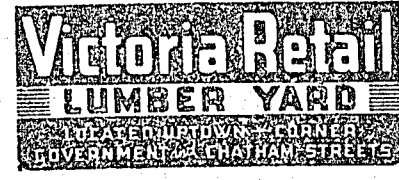
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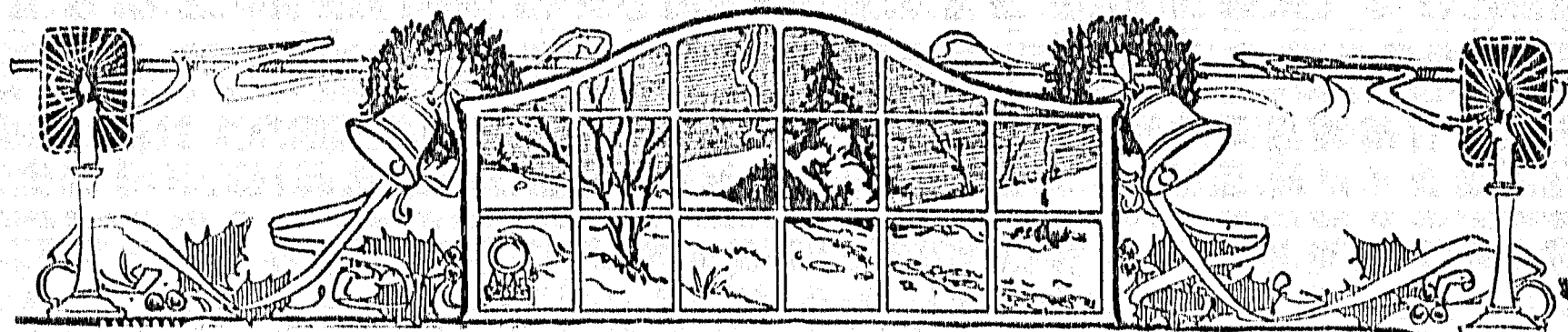
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FEDERATION OF AGRICULTURE PROBE MANY B.C. PROBLEMS

Dominion marketing legislation which would ensure a stable agriculture and orderly distribution of farm products at reasonable prices was a major issue at the thirteenth annual meeting of the B. C. Federation of Agriculture held in Vancouver earlier this month. The 51 delegates vigorously supported a resolution calling on the Canadian Federation to hold a conference of key men from every part of Canada in Ottawa in January for the sole purpose of preparing a submission to the Dominion Government on the basis of the draft Act which emanated from the B. C. Federation and which was adopted by the Canadian Federation last January. The idea is that those key men will wait on the Federal Cabinet with this single subject of marketing legislation submitted for discussion. The delegates felt that unless such legislation were provided a condition similar to that of the thirties would afflict farmers of Canada.

B. C. SCHOOL TAXATION

School taxes were higher and in some cases up 400 per cent, so delegates reported, and two resolutions were passed—one demanding that school taxes be removed entirely from the land and the other requesting increases in school grants. The delegates reported from every quarter that their taxes have gone up for school purposes although taxes in the urban districts had decreased. J. E. Fry, secretary of the B. C. Beef Cattle Growers' Association stated that whereas the range land which was the poorest land in the province, previously had not been taxed, every acre henceforth would be taxed unless there was a change in the formula. The prevailing opinion was that the recommendation in the Cameron report had not been implemented properly.

RURAL HEALTH DEMANDS

The British Columbia Government will be requested, following the passing of another resolution, to conduct a survey of rural British Columbia so that the need for doctors and dentists and hospitalization facilities may be ascertained definitely. Hon. George A. Hoadley, President of the National Health Study Bureau, addressing the convention, declared there was a shortage of 4,000 doctors and 6,000 dentists in Canada, and also of nurses and that B. C. was as urgently in

need of such doctors, dentists and nurses as any of the provinces.

The Canadian Federation of Agriculture will be urged to press the Dominion Government for active co-operation with the provinces in setting up of a Dominion-wide health policy.

PREDATORY ANIMALS

The convention stoutly supported the proposed submission to the B. C. Government urging adequate control of predatory animals which were causing heavy losses of livestock and poultry and also of big game animals. Instances were reported where farmers and ranchers would be forced to give up the production of livestock and poultry if better control of wolves, cougars and coyotes, and in some places, bears, were not organized. Secretary C. A. Hayden of the B. C. Federation has been collecting signed statements from farmers and ranchers in all parts of the Province and on the basis of the facts and figures thus assembled, the formal submission will be prepared and presented to the Cabinet and Legislature early in the coming year. Bounties suggested are: Wolves \$50.00, cougars \$40.00, and coyotes \$5.00 all the year around with the hunters keeping the hide.

MANY OTHER RESOLUTIONS

Other resolutions adopted dealt with parity prices for farm products, export permits for glucose made from B. C. cull potatoes, increased freight rates protest, more sugar for jam manufacturers, retention of the farm labor offices, control of elk in the Oyster River district, V. I., insertion of digestible percentages in livestock feeds analyses, revision of the B. C. Loss Leader Act to protect egg prices, continuation of the fight to remove taxes on co-ops, establishment of sub-experimental station in the Fraser Valley, precautions re sleeping sickness in horses, revision upward of hay prices ceiling, better barb wire, and approval of the principles of the Act re Agrolists coming before the next session of the B. C. Legislature.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Officers elected were: Hon. Presidents, E. J. Chambers, M.B. E., and E. D. Barrow; Hon. Vice Presidents, H. C. Oldfield and W. J. Manson; President, P. E. French, Vernon; Vice-President, A. H. Mercer, Vancouver; Secre-

tary-Treasurer, C. A. Hayden, Vernon; Fieldman, J. W. Carmichael, Chilliwack; executive, Les Gilmore, Steveston; Gordon Billingsley, Chilliwack; J. R. J. Stirling, Kelowna; Harvey Turnbull, White Rock; W. T. Bulman, Kelowna, with President and Vice-President.

B. C. Directors of the C. F. A., Messrs. French, Mercer and Gilmore.

Delegates to Western Agricultural Conference and C. F. A. meeting in Winnipeg in January, Messrs. French, Mercer and Gilmore.

Auditors, R. G. Rutherford & Company, Kelowna.

Directors: Fruits, J. R. J. Stirling, Kelowna, and J. W. Little, Matsqui; Dairy, A. H. Mercer, Vancouver, and S. E. Halksworth, Grindrod; Vegetables, Les Gilmore, Steveston, and Tom Wilkinson, Kelowna; Seeds, Harvey Turnbull, White Rock, and Harry Bose, Jr., Surrey Center; Farm Animals, Wm. Harrison, Pritchard, and W. T. Bulman, Kelowna; Field Crops, P. E. French, Chilliwack, and Art Swenson, Ladner; Poultry, G. Billingsley, Chilliwack, and D. M. Roberts, White Rock; Miscellaneous, R. N. Mangies, Comox.

FOUR ORIGINALS PRESENT

Wm. Harrison recalled that four of the men present at the meeting at which the B. C. Federation came into existence at Kamloops in 1934 were present at this convention. These were E. D. Barrow, the first President; Tom Wilkinson, of Kelowna, Mr. Harrison and himself and C. A. Hayden, who had arranged this first meeting. The others were Geo. W. Challenger, then District Agriculturist at Kamloops, and now with the B. C. Electric, and W. E. Haskins, then Chairman of the B. C. Tree Fruit Board, and now practicing law in Vancouver.

PRAIRIE FARM REHABILITATION ACT FOR B. C.

Wiring his regrets from Ottawa that he could not be present, Hon. Frank Putnam informed the Convention that the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act had been attended to include British Columbia and the first project would be started at Pemberton.

FRASER CANYON TOLLS

Answering a direct question, Hon. E. C. Carson, Minister of Public Works, stated that he was in favor of the removal of the Fraser Canyon tolls and always had been. The tolls were off at the present time. He pledged rebuilding of the Cariboo and Kamloops-Vernon highways and improvement of roads serving agriculture just as soon as equipment and competent men were available. He expected that the Hope-Princeton road would be ready for traffic some time next year.

Hon. Leslie Eyres, Minister of Trade and Industry, advised the farmers, ranchers, fruit and vegetable growers of British Columbia to advertise their products, which ranked as high as the products of any other province or as any other country. In fact, in many instances, they were in classes by themselves. He also recommended the B. C. Federation of Agriculture to advertise more extensively the efficient work it was doing in behalf of the primary producers and in behalf of all other sections of the population.

George Cruickshank, M.P., expressed the opinion that if the B. C. Federation of Agriculture had a sound case in respect to

any of its problems, every one of the sixteen members of Parliament in the House of Commons would support such case. Mrs. Stella E. Gummow, superintendent of Provincial Women's Institutes, pleaded for understanding by urban people of the rural communities' problems and urged closer working co-operation between the Women's Institutes and the Federation of Agriculture.

J. T. Hull, Secretary of the Western Agricultural Conference, predicted that co-operative marketing would expand rapidly and in the not distant future would be the dominating factor in the distribution system. This undoubtedly would be one outcome of the functioning of food and agriculture organizations (FAO) and of the functioning of the International Federation of Agricultural Producers (IFAP).

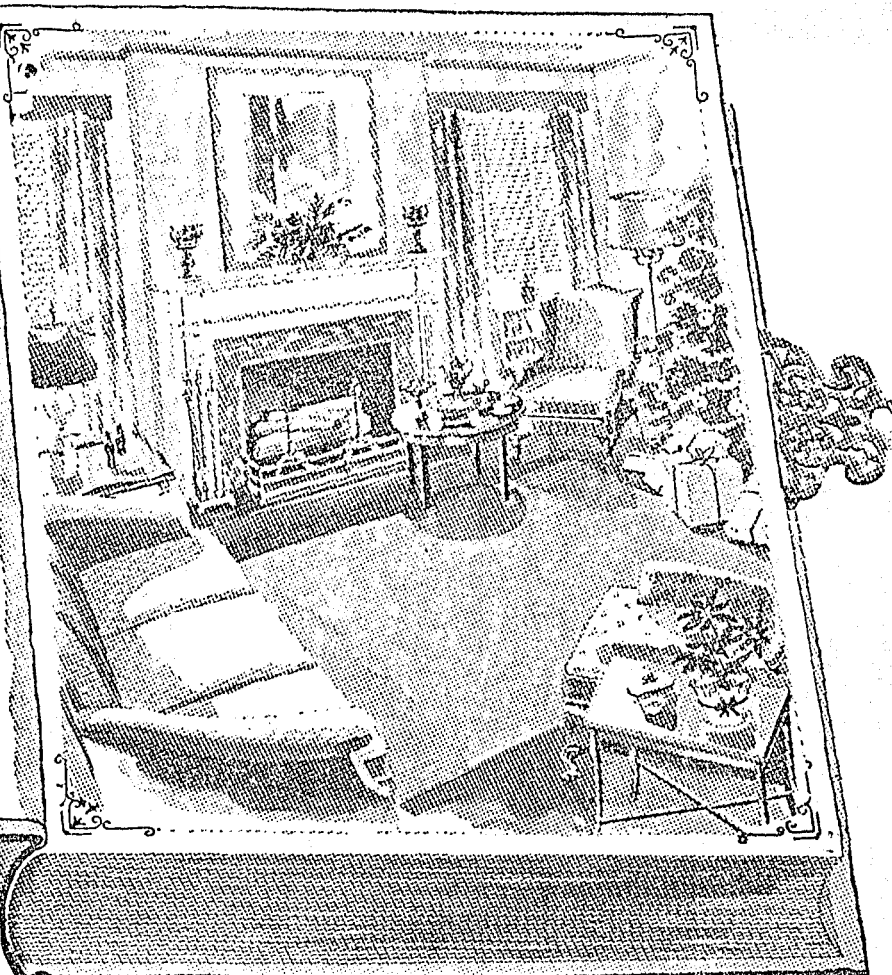
Sidney Brownies Send Christmas Parcels to England

The First Sidney Pack of Brownies wound up the first half of their year with a Christmas party. The Brownies arrived at the hall to find it beautifully decorated and the table all set. At

each place was a dainty handkerchief, the gift of the Brown Owl. An exciting moment was when Brown Owl answered a knock on the door to find three Brownies bearing a big parcel with her name on it. This proved to be a lovely box of note paper. The Brownies sent a large parcel of Christmas goodies to a Pack in England, also they have made seven woolly balls and seven scrap books for the Solarium.

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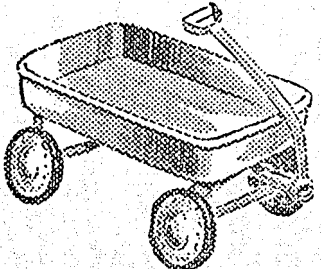
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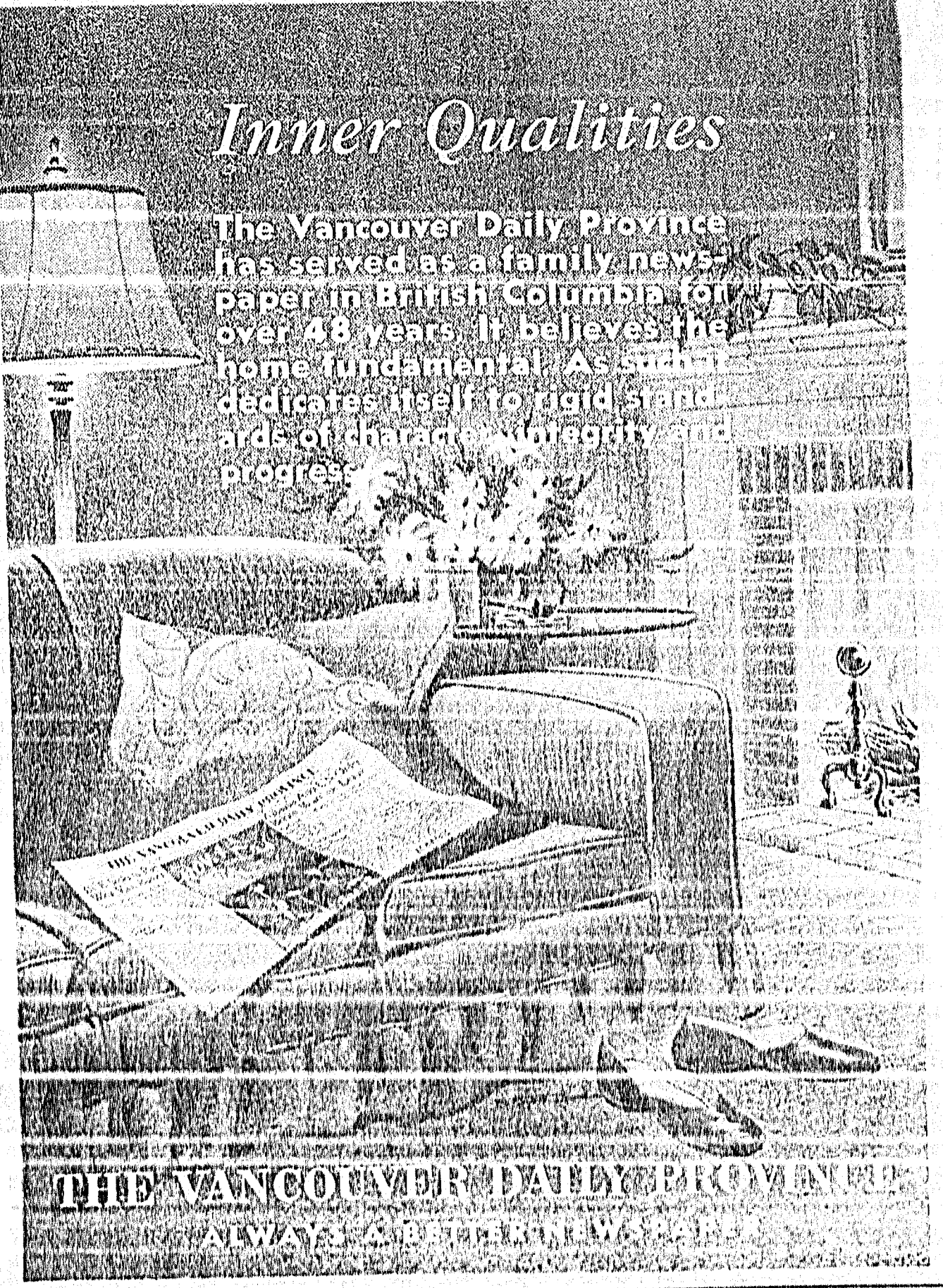
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... The Editorials ...

PATRICIA BAY AIR STATION

THE time is not far distant when the period of transition from war to peace will end. While this may well mean bathtubs and shower fittings, to say nothing of nails and lumber in the local yards, our thought concerns the importance of the proximity of the great R.C.A.F. Station at Patricia Bay.

We have mentioned before in these columns, the importance of this up-to-the-minute air station. It is undoubtedly to be one of the most important of such stations in Canada.

With its full complement of officers and men, the Station will have an important bearing on the civil and social life of the community.

In peace-time garb, both officers and men of the Station will take their rightful place in the life of the community. With the facilities natural to the district, with yachting, riding, golf, and all the sports of an almost perfect climate, there is little doubt but that the garrison of the Station will take a lead in the social life of the district.

With the advent of more and more travel by air, and with the field allocated also as a civilian airdrome serving not only Victoria, but all of Vancouver Island, tremendous activity can be foreseen for the future.

We have already seen social functions at the air base, indeed, it was not long ago when those in charge of such affairs had to rush around the district, borrowing carpets and cutlery for such special occasions. Happily those days have gone. The appointments at the base are now complete. The Station has achieved an enviable reputation not only as an air base, but as a complete and self-sustaining unit of the most important branch of the services. Visiting dignitaries have remarked not only on the efficiency of the Station, but upon the courtesy and ability of those in charge to make welcome the visitor. This augurs well for the future. For it may well be said that the social aspect of such peace-time stations is fully as important as their ability to fill the sky with warplanes in time of war. We, in common with others, feel that the deliberations of the United Nations Organization, will ensure the peace of the world for many years. It is time then, to gaze wistfully ahead, when the residents of the North Saanich district pick up the strings of an ordered life, and resume the happy days unmarred by violent death in the many theatres of war.

We welcome most heartily the officers and men of the Patricia Bay Air Station to the pleasures of peace in Saanich and the surrounding islands.

THE TIME HAS COME

VERY soon now clubs and organizations of all descriptions will be electing new executives and among the new officers will be those whose job it is to look after newspaper publicity.

All too frequently club members wonder why the newspaper publicizes the activities of one club and not those of another. It is largely a matter, as far as the newspaper is concerned, of the extent to which organizations are prepared to co-operate.

This newspaper sincerely desires to give not a few but all clubs as much coverage as possible. It has no prejudices, no blacklist, and all organizations are invited to secure the benefits which attend publicity. Generally the benefits of such publicity are not obvious until the organization starts to make, as all organizations do, an appeal for funds or a request for support for some venture. Then the accumulated results of sustained publicity become apparent. It is then that the choice of a publicity chairman or press representative on a basis of efficiency rather than popularity becomes apparent.

As far as the newspaper is concerned, there are a few simple rules. Copy will almost certainly be edited. In the second place, no guarantee can be made that if the copy comes in later than is necessary, that it will see the light of day. The latter point is more important now than ever because while subscribers get their papers Thursday or Friday, the paper actually starts going to press Monday. Only a limited amount of material can be handled Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday and the demands on space and time are considerable. Thirdly, press representatives should have a clear understanding of the difference between publicity and advertising. This newspaper, like any other, has facilities for handling both.

We also have facilities and the desire to support, in our editorial columns, efforts which are of benefit to the community and sometimes the forest is not visible because of the trees. We invite suggestions.

We would like to suggest that if press representatives are in any doubt about any of these questions, or about any part of their duties, we will be only too glad to talk it over with them. We have no large dogs on the premises, no communicable disease that we know of and we want to meet you, too.—Chilliwaek Progress.

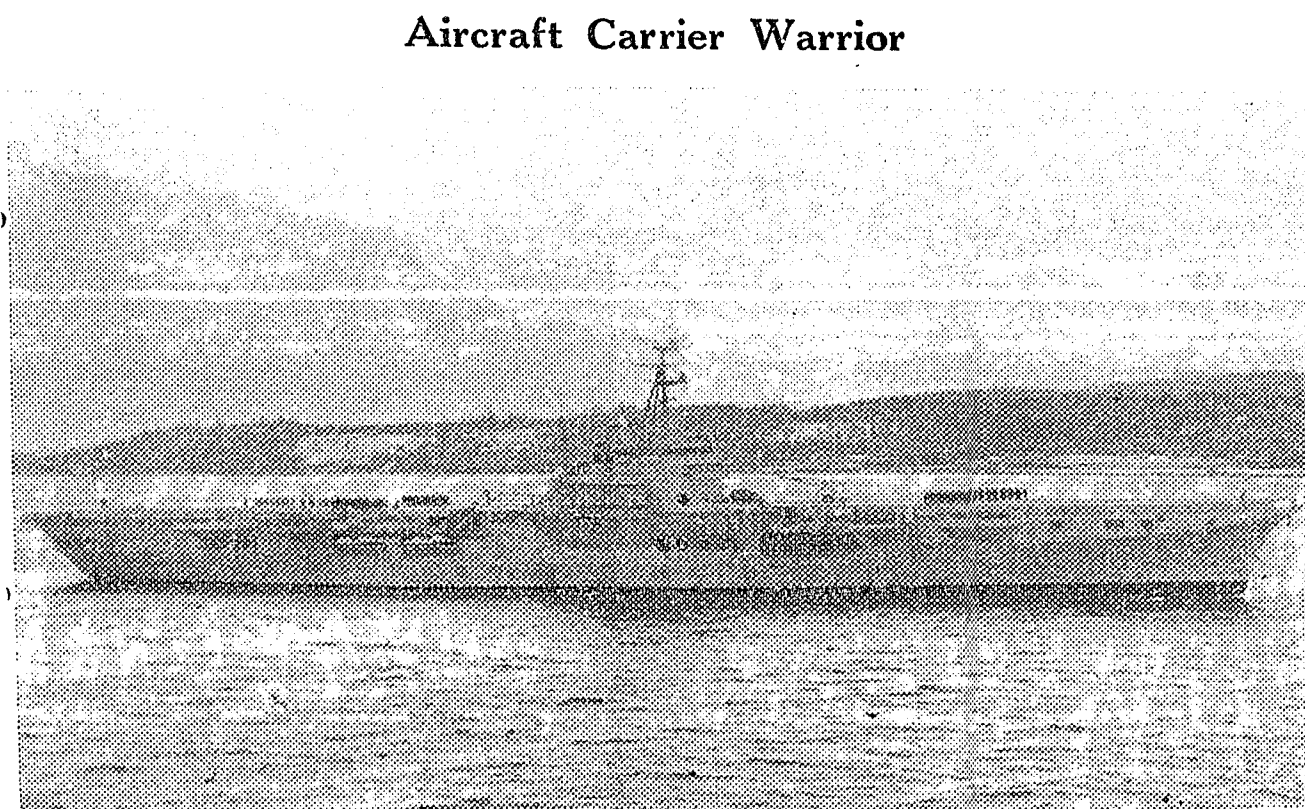
Greetings Friends!

May we take this opportunity of conveying to our many customers our appreciation of their many kindnesses and their forbearance with difficult merchandising conditions during the past year.

We all join in wishing you and yours a very joyful Christmas and happiness and prosperity in the coming year.

M. McIntosh
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THE SIDNEY TRADING CO.



The 18,000-ton H.M.C.S. Warrior shown as she steamed into naval base at Esquimalt on Sunday. Her planes left at sea and landed here in the afternoon. The vessel is a light fleet carrier, built at the yard of Harland and Wolff at Belfast, and commissioned last January 24. Since then she has cruised 18,000 miles without serious mishap.

Length overall is 690 feet, with a beam of 112 feet. From keel to flight deck she is 62½ feet, about the same as a five-storey building. It took three years to build her and \$26,523 rivets went into her hull. Her engines are 40,000 horsepower, which could easily keep Vancouver Island supplied with electric light. Top speed from her turbines is about 25 knots.

Your Family Tree

(From "The Oval")

It doesn't matter whether you look upon a Christmas tree as just another forest evergreen or as a bit of transient magic that brings ecstatic light to children's eyes—the Christmas tree industry is a million dollar business and a factor in Canada's foreign trade balance.

Emblem of Christmas, scintillating with decorations and colored lights, the Christmas trees bloom each Yuletide in parks and illuminate the merchandise in store windows. But they cast the warmest glow of peace and love at the family hearth.

It is difficult to trace with accuracy how the evergreen spruce, balsam or pine came to be chosen as the symbol of Christmas. Centuries before the birth of Christ, certain European races used to decorate the doorways of their huts—and perhaps even their caves—with evergreen leaves and boughs. It wasn't in celebration of anything, but rather a means of propitiating the spirits of the woodlands. Later on, when men could count and keep records, they celebrated the winter solstice, the shortest day on the year. In these celebrations wreaths and archways of green also, wide use was made of green boughs.

The family-loving early Germans are credited with the leadership in designating the evergreen tree as the symbol of giving gifts to children on festive occasions, and thus on Christmas. The idea spread to England and later to America with the first German settlers. It may surprise many to know that Christmas trees—and indeed the celebration of Christmas as a festival—are unknown in most Christian countries other than the English-speaking ones. Some Christians are not agreed that Christ was born on December 25th and so reserve a variety of other days for the religious recognition of that event.

Canadians, especially those of British stock, are well versed in Christmas traditions of the British Isles, thanks to Charles Dickens and the carol hymnals. The use of an evergreen tree as a Christmas symbol was recorded in England as early as 1444 when a writer described an evergreen tree on a London street corner to which ornaments had been attached in the general jollity of the season.

Canada has inherited from the Old Country many of the Christmas customs and culinary specialties of the season and Canada is really the land of the Christmas tree, with her forests well stocked from ocean to ocean.

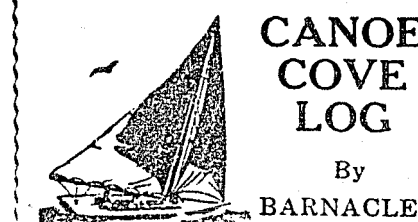
When the fuss and flurry of Christmas has left the household tired and happy, and the dried-out Christmas tree has been discarded, thousands of Canadians sit down to figure out contentedly what the season's Christmas trade has meant to them in dollars and cents.

Nobody knows just how many Canadians make a living or a part of a living from growing, cutting, transporting and marketing Christmas trees, but Christmas tree business seems to be most active in Quebec, Ontario, British Columbia and New Brunswick, in that order. The export business alone—not including the several million trees absorbed here in Canada—runs to some 18 million trees each season, valued at about \$1,300,000, a not inconsiderable item in the nation's foreign trade balance.

The United States market welcomes about 99 per cent of the Christmas trees we export, and the others scatter their cheer among homes in Great Britain, Bermuda and Jamaica.

Now, gusty winds and stormy rain beat upon the window pane. And then, a sunny day like spring. All this in dull November.

ANON, Deep Cove.



CANOE COVE LOG

By BARNACLE

The new ways are now completed and in operation and the cement flooring is a great joy these muddy days.

After the Island Chief had been hauled to test them, their first job was hauling the large scow belonging to Coal Island Ltd.

Mr. Johnson's sloop, "Stella Maris," has been hauled for painting and propeller work and Mr. Sewell's "Thelton" is up for complete engine overhaul.

Mr. Ken Macmillan has sold his boat "Thora" to Mr. Vernon Martin, of Victoria. Dr. Stewart has taken his boat, "Galatea," to Victoria and his berth has been taken over by Mr. C. E. W. Stringer, of Deep Cove, for his M.V. "Sano."

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Saturna, had an adventurous trip while bringing their Norcraft "Cream Puff" here for repairs. Engine trouble developed and they were adrift most of the night but were eventually picked up by Mr. Kirkness of Gooch Island, and towed into Canoe Cove.

We were very interested to hear from the Rev. John Antle, who has reached San Diego in his yacht, "Reverie," and is waiting there until the arrival of better weather conditions.

DAYS

The days go by—and days are things!
They can be angels with amber wings;
They can be devils of grief and woe,
If the way we use them makes them so.

Days can be treasures of untold wealth—
The happiness of forgotten self,
Dear joyful creatures of love and cheer—
These days that are building the passing year.

The days go by—but they grow no less—
These days that are doomed to curse or bless—
They are pearls of Time on an endless chain;
And thereon hangs all our loss or gain.

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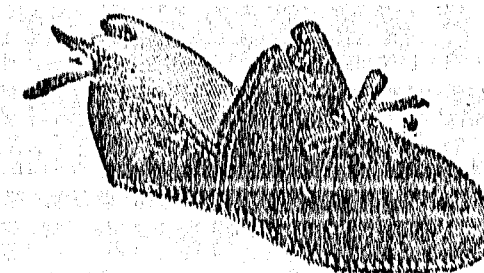
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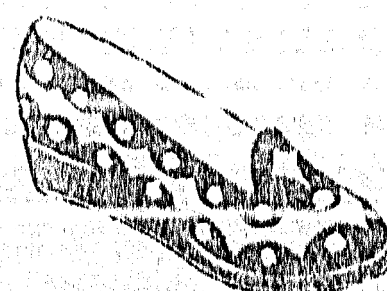


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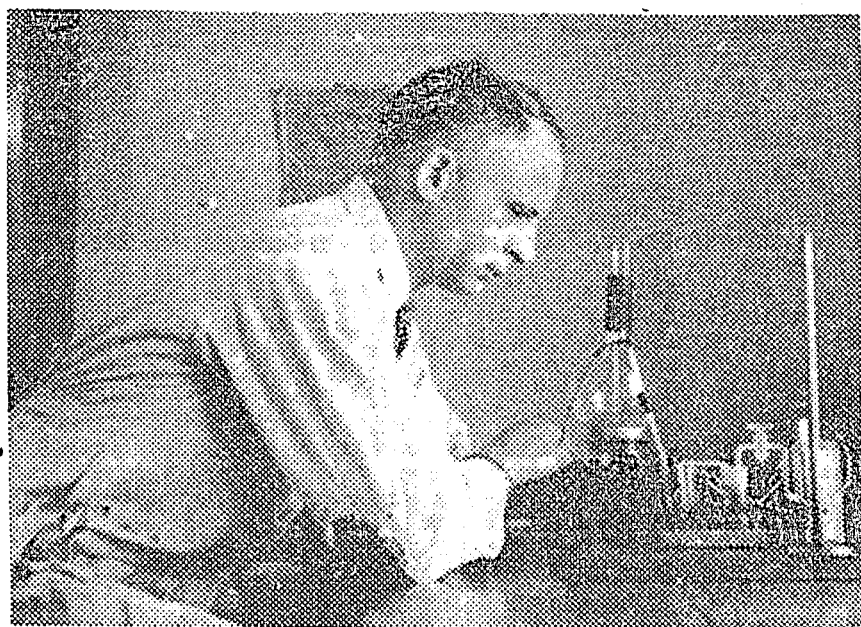
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Scientists Who Shape Canadian Agriculture



DR. WILLIAM NEWTON

William Newton, B.S.A., Msc., PhD., Member of the Agricultural Institute of Canada, is the officer-in-charge at the Dominion Laboratory of Plant Pathology, Saanichton. As a plant pathologist, Dr. Newton's contributions to Canadian agriculture have been many and varied; his work in the allied field of plant physiology is also well known. From British Columbia to the Maritimes farmers and scientists alike have benefited from research work undertaken in his laboratory at Saanichton.

Crops which have received particular study from the standpoint of disease control include potatoes, hops, bulbs, greenhouse tomatoes and many other farm crops. The loganberry wine industry in B.C. has also benefited appreciably by Dr. Newton's research activities in this field. A long list of scientific papers published in the Journal of Agricultural Research and Scientific Agriculture, all form a permanent record of his contribution to Canadian agriculture.

Born in Montreal, Dr. Newton received most of his early educational training under the direct guidance of his father, a graduate in chemistry from Owens College, University of Manchester, England. After graduation from MacDonald College, McGill University in 1914, he joined the B.C. Dept. of Agriculture as Soil and Field Crop Instructor. From 1915-19 "Gunner" Newton served with the Royal Canadian Field Artillery in England, France and Germany. While awaiting his return to Canada in 1919, Dr. Newton took special studies at the University of Cambridge.

After World War I, Dr. Newton engaged in post graduate studies at the University of California and in 1921 was awarded the degree of Msc. (Master of Science) and in 1923 the degree of Doctor of Philosophy was conferred on him from the same institution. During the next five years Dr. Newton engaged in teaching and research work at various California institutions, before accepting his present position at Saanichton in 1928. From 1923-24 he served as Assistant Professor of Botany and Bacteriology at Pomona College, Claremont. At the Carnegie Institute of Washington Coastal Laboratory, Carmel, from 1924-26 he served as Research Associate in Biochemistry. From 1926-28 Dr. Newton was Assistant Professor of Plant Physiology at the University of California.

Dr. William Newton is a member of one of Canada's most distinguished scientific families, whose history on the maternal side dates back to an ambitious and gifted subaltern, one of the gallant band who stormed the Heights of Quebec with General Wolfe. Enthusiasm and ambition for academic conquest must be a legacy from this old pioneer ancestor, for the Newtons are a family of scientists, three brothers and two sisters all having been awarded their PhD. degrees. Dr. John is Professor of Soils at the University of Alberta, where Dr. Robert Newton is the president; Dr. Margaret Newton, recently retired from the Rust Research Laboratory, Winnipeg, now lives in Victoria. Dr. Dorothy E. Newton Swales, is on the Botany staff of MacDonald College, McGill University, where her husband, Dr. Wm. Swales is Professor of Parasitology.

In 1921, William Newton, B.S.A., Msc., PhD., conferred the "Degree of Mrs." on Norah Evans of Victoria and they have three sons and two daughters to carry on the Newton tradition. The eldest, Billy, after service overseas with the Royal Navy Fleet Air Arm, is now a third-year student at the University of British Columbia.

In 1935 Dr. Newton, Canadian scientist, studied at the Rothamsted Experimental Station, Harpenden, Herts., and at the Potato Virus Research Station, Cambridge University, England. During World War II, overseas members of the Agricultural Institute of Canada were delighted to find that the learned officials of these

famed institutions still remembered Dr. Newton and his enthusiastic participation in scientific discussions. And they are all convinced that when bigger and better salmon are caught, that Dr. "Bill" Newton will be catching them.

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Your Family Tree

our friend in western Ontario. They grow trees in regular plantation manner and the smaller "table top" trees up to three feet high, are ready for harvest three to five years after planting. Other farmers grow evergreens on odd bits of land unsuitable for other farm crops.

Forest conservation engineers are not seriously perturbed about the depletion of Canada forest wealth through the tremendous business in Christmas trees. Far from constituting a drain on our forest resources, they consider it to be another market for a forest product. There are many large areas of waste land in Canada's farm country that could be utilized to grow Christmas trees. An area of less than 200 square miles would be sufficient to produce, in perpetuity, the number of Christmas trees now being harvested. This is really insignificant compared with the area of farm woodlots alone, which amounts to almost 50,000 square miles. And behind the woodlots lie the vast Crown timberlands with their almost untapped supply of Christmas trees.

All the conservationists ask is that common sense care be used in harvesting the crop. Merchantable timber should not be cut for the Christmas tree trade, the experts say. The proper cutting is a thinning operation, leaving

the younger trees to grow into another year's crop. In snow-powdered loads of greenery, on trucks and railroad cars, the tightly bundled Christmas trees move to urban markets.

There they stand in front of stores, or on a vacant lot until they are carried home to be dressed in their gaudy finery and to gladden the hearts of laughing children on Christmas day.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

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Sunday, December 22

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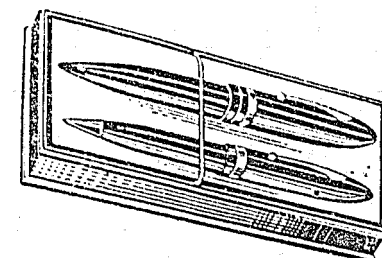
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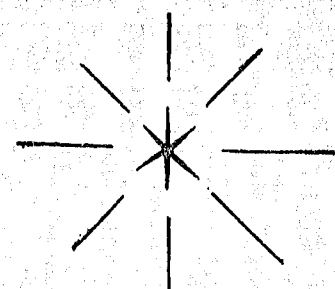
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Crosby, all of Victoria. Mrs. Bayliss sang the contralto solo with violin obligato by G. R. Freeman.

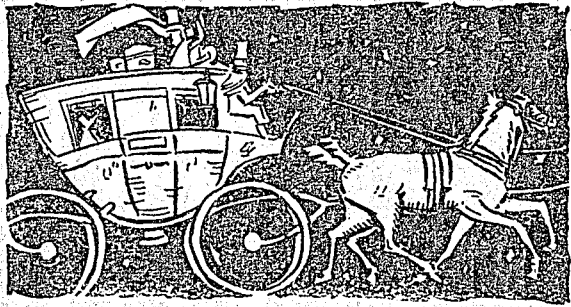
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4 cups cranberries
1 cup sugar
2 cups water
Wash cranberries carefully and pick out any soft ones. Put sugar and water in saucepan and bring slowly to boiling point. Boil about 10 minutes or until a thin syrup is formed. Add cranberries, cover and simmer gently until clear and transparent but not broken. Chill well before serving. Makes about 4 cups fairly thin sauce.

GIBLET CUBE STUFFING

Giblets
1/4 cup mild-flavored fat
2 tablespoons chopped onion
1/4 cup chopped celery
4 cups lightly toasted 1/2-inch bread cubes (about five 1/2-in. slices of bread).
1 teaspoon chopped parsley
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon pepper
1/4 teaspoon poultry seasoning
1/2 cup giblet broth (about)
Simmer giblets in salted water for 30 minutes, then chop finely. Save 1/2 cup of the broth for dressing, use the rest in the gravy. Cook onion and celery in fat until clear. Mix with bread cubes, parsley and seasonings, giblets and enough hot broth to moisten cubes slightly. Sufficient to stuff a 5-pound chicken.

HOLIDAY SNOW
1/4 cup cornstarch
1/3 cup sugar
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 cups boiling water
2 lemon
2 egg whites
Mix cornstarch, sugar and salt thoroughly together. Gradually add boiling water, stirring constantly. Cook over direct heat until thick and clear, about 5 minutes. Add lemon juice (3 tablespoons) and grated rind and pour slowly over stiffly-beaten egg whites, stirring until well blended. Six servings. Serve with Holly Sauce. If desired, one drop of oil of peppermint may be added with the lemon juice.

HOLLY SAUCE

2 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon cornstarch
Pinch of salt
2 egg yolks or 1 whole egg
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1 1/2 cups milk
1/3 cup maraschino cherries, coarsely chopped
Mix sugar, cornstarch, salt and milk (1 cup). Heat in double boiler. Beat egg yolks slightly with remaining milk. Add slowly to the hot milk, stirring constantly. Cook until mixture is thick and will coat a spoon (about 10 minutes). Remove from heat, add flavoured and cherries. Six servings.

DARK FRUIT CAKE
1/4 cup mild-flavored fat
1/4 cup brown sugar
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
3 eggs
4 cups raisins
2/3 cup sliced candied or maraschino cherries
1 1/2 cups mixed peel, chopped
2 1/4 cups all purpose OR 2 1/4 cups pastry flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon mace
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon allspice
1/2 teaspoon cloves
1 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1/4 cup molasses
1/2 cup grape juice
Cream fat, add sugar and almond extract and cream well together. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition. Dredge fruit with part of flour. Mix and sift remaining flour, salt, spices, baking powder and soda, and add alternately with molasses and grape juice to creamed mixture. Add flour and mix well. Line the bottom and sides of a deep pan, 7-in x 7-in., with heavy greased brown paper and fill two-thirds full with batter. Bake in a slow oven, 300°F., for about 2 1/2 hours. Makes 2 1/2 pounds.

WHITE FRUIT CAKE

3/4 cup mild-flavored fat
1 cup fine granulated OR fruit sugar
1 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
3 eggs
1 cup raisins
1 cup mixed peel
Cream fat, add sugar and almond extract and cream well together. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition. Dredge fruit with part of flour. Mix and sift remaining flour, salt, spices, baking powder and soda, and add alternately with molasses and grape juice to creamed mixture. Add flour and mix well. Line the bottom and sides of a deep pan, 7-in x 7-in., with heavy greased brown paper and fill two-thirds full with batter. Bake in a slow oven, 300°F., for about 2 1/2 hours. Makes 2 1/2 pounds.

1 cup chopped candied OR maraschino cherries
2 1/4 cups all-purpose OR 2 1/4 cups pastry flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1/4 cup fruit juice or milk
Cream fat, add sugar, vanilla and almond extract, and cream well together. Add eggs, one at a time, beating after each addition. Dredge fruit with part of the flour. Mix and sift remaining flour, salt and baking powder, and add alternately with the liquid. Mix in the flour and fruit. Line a deep pan with greased paper and fill two-thirds full with the batter. Bake in a slow oven, 300°F., for about 1 3/4 hours. Makes 2 1/4 pounds, 7-in. x 7-in. cake.

E. C. Head Honoured At Board Meeting
had derived from working with Mr. Head, and expressed the thanks of the Board and of the community for the many hours of volunteer work Mr. Head had given. Replying, Mr. Head stated that it had been a fine experience for him. He had enjoyed the work immensely, and the association with other Board members. "I have never worked with such an understanding and smooth-working group before," he said. Following the meal, Martin Neilson presented Mr. Head with a leather brief case. He thanked Mr. Head for his fine work on the Board and expressed his personal thanks for the conscientious and careful work he had always done on committee work. "I happen to know," he told the Board, "that Mr. Head has given much more of his time than he need have... in consequence he has lost much productive time from his own work."

Mr. Head in thanking the group, offered his services in any capacity for the future. "I will always be at the end of the telephone," he said.

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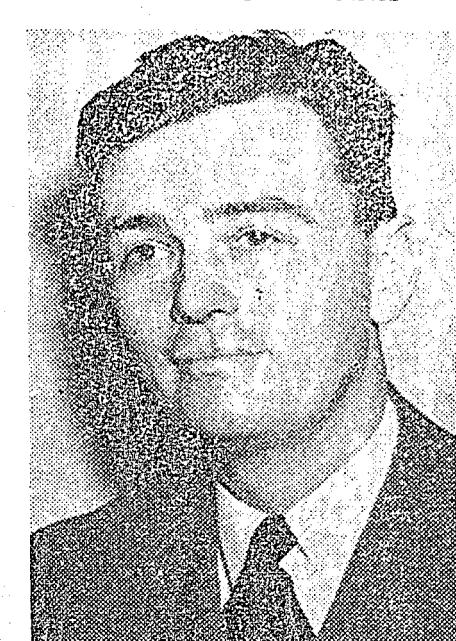
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TO ORGANIZE BLOOD SERVICE

All Canada is waiting to see how British Columbia organizes and installs its new Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service states Air Vice-Marshal F. V. Heakes, vice-chairman of this committee for the B.C. Division of the Canadian Red Cross Society. Marshal Heakes has just returned to Vancouver from a meeting of the national committee in Toronto, where plans for opening of clinics and laboratory in British Columbia were discussed.

"There is tremendous enthusiasm concerning this new Red Cross service which will provide blood and plasma, free of any charge whatever, to hospital patients," said Marshal Heakes, "the importance of B.C.'s response to this Red Cross project is being watched with great interest across the country."

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THE TIDES

Date	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.
Dec. 19.....	4:06	11.1	8:34	9.2	14:00	12.5	21:27	2.5
Dec. 20.....	5:01	11.9	9:33	9.8	14:27	12.2	21:59	1.9
Dec. 21.....	5:48	12.6	10:25	10.2	14:53	12.1	22:31	1.4
Dec. 22.....	6:28	13.1	11:14	10.4	15:19	11.9	23:02	1.1
Dec. 23.....	7:03	13.5	11:57	10.6	15:48	11.8	23:34	0.9
Dec. 24.....	7:38	13.8	12:40	10.6	16:19	11.6		
Dec. 25.....	8:06	0.9	8:10	13.9	13:22	10.5	16:55	11.3
Dec. 26.....	0:39	1.1	8:43	14.0	14:06	10.3	17:33	11.1
Dec. 27.....	1:13	1.5	9:15	13.9	14:54	10.0	18:19	10.7
Dec. 28.....	1:49	2.2	9:47	13.7	15:45	9.5	19:16	10.2
Dec. 29.....	2:26	3.1	10:13	13.5	16:40	8.8	20:29	9.6
Dec. 30.....	3:06	4.2	10:49	13.3	17:35	7.8	22:01	9.2
Dec. 31.....	3:54	5.5	11:20	13.1	18:26	6.5	23:49	9.1

Times shown are for Sands Heads, Standard Time. Time differences:
H.W. L.W. H.W. L.W.
SidneySubt. 0:17 Subt. 1:00
Deep Cove Subt. 0:15 Subt. 0:45
PulfordSubt. 0:13 Subt. 0:32
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	10-year Average	1945
Pre-emption records issued.....	283	115
Purchases of land.....	2,101	1,056
Crown grants issued.....	1,258	1,817
Crown grants issued to date, 1946.....		1,700
Acreage deceded (acres).....	69,285	85,034

Increased settlement and land use in 1946 is indicated in the following comparative figures:

	1945	First 8 Months 1946
Total sales completed.....	662	1013
Total sales value.....	\$140,922.00	\$209,693.00
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SCHOOL BOARD SETS BUDGET

MAINTENANCE REPORT

A report by H. Lohr, maintenance man for the school district was approved. Details covering the addition and preparation of the Forge shop at North Saanich High school, repair work in Prospect Lake, Deep Cove and West Saanich schools were outlined.

E. C. Head reported on the Cordova Bay school. There were many details still to be finished, he told the Board. The architect and a committee will inspect the work before the final account is passed for payment.

A report from Miss Orr, Home Ec. supervisor, stated that classes were working under great difficulty at Mt. Newton school, more electric stoves were needed and a supply of hot water.

Martin Neilson commenting on the report asked how the Board, already accused by the Department of spending too much money, could remedy the situation. A Sansbury suggested that when the new hut is finished the auditorium could be used for the Home Ec. classes, and the new hut made into an auditorium. This would give the greater space required for Home Ec. classes.

The matter will be considered. Requests for a telephone and a fire alarm system for Royal Oak school, from the Royal Oak P.T.A. were considered. The Fire Chief will be consulted in regard to the fire alarm.

ROSS SUBDIVISION NOW OCCUPIED

A letter advising the Board that homes in the new Veterans' Ross subdivision (Rithets' Hill) were now occupied, of the 15 homes occupied only one child of school age would be attending district schools. The Board had pondered the question of where to teach the children when the lots were occupied.

A request from the Deep Cove school for a donation for the school concert was filed. The Board decided it could not make a donation as every school would be entitled to a similar donation. The suggestion that a small charge be made at the function, or that a collection be taken.

Mr. Murphy, physical education teacher of district schools was authorized to receive the sum of \$40 per month for gasoline and car allowance. The teacher travels from school to school, teaching physical education. He also transports children to other schools for sports activities.

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Chamber Plans For Tourist Season

station was again brought to the attention of members. Storekeepers and garagemen told of the need for such a convenience for the travelling public. Mr. Mitchell outlined work already done on the project. The promise of a piece of land had already been made, he said, by Mr. Colleen. Since that time, however, Mr. Colleen had sold his property and moved away. Both Perry companies, Canadian Pacific Railway and the Black Ball Line, had agreed to assist with the cost. It was understood, however, that up-keep of the station would be the responsibility of the community. Possible locations, cost and other details will be gone into by a committee headed by Don McIntyre, who was named chairman of the Tourist committee. Members named to serve on this committee were Fred Wright, J. Mitchell, W. Harrison and Leslie Marshall.

Reporting on the Sidney Businessmen's Association, P. Ford told the group that the final meeting of that body would be held early in January. The books of the association had been audited and the final meeting would be in the form of a dinner meeting when members of the Sidney Volunteer Fire Department would be asked to attend as guests. This was the usual procedure, said Mr. Ford, but was delayed this year due to the sale of the Sidney Hotel.

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Galiano P.T.A. Hold Card Party

Flag whist was played at Galiano Hall on Saturday, Dec. 14, when the P.T.A. held its first card party.

There was a good attendance considering the weather and the states of the roads; ten tables were in play.

China played by Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Bambrick and Stanley Page was the winner with a score of 44. W. Bond was M.C.

Following the game supper was served by the social convener, Mrs. Norman Snaback, assisted by Mrs. F. Robson and Mrs. A. E. Steward.

W.A. and Guild Hold Sale of Work

Organized by the Salt Spring branch of the Woman's Auxiliary and held under the general convener-ship of Mrs. G. H. Holmes, the Christmas sale of work which took place recently at the Mahon Hall, Ganges, realized \$127.75 for the benefit of Church funds.

The fancy and plain needle-work stall was in charge of Mrs. W. Norton, assisted by Miss B. Beedie and Miss Marion Norton; M. T. stall, Mrs. Harold Price and Mrs. H. A. Robinson; Christmas decorations, Mrs. J. Bigham and Mrs. J. Croft; Christmas tree, Mrs. H. C. Carter and Mrs. F. Baker. Tea, under the convener-ship of Mrs. E. Adams, assisted by Mrs. S. P. Beech, Mrs. J. By-ron, Mrs. S. Bannister, Mrs. Har-oid Day, Mrs. E. Ferris, Mrs. W.

Honours Daughter At Galiano Tea

Honouring her daughter Miss Dorothy Page, whose wedding takes place on Wednesday of this week, Mrs. Stanley Page was hostess at a tea which was held in the spacious drawing room of "Greenways" on the afternoon of Friday, December 13.

Assisting the hostess in serving were Mrs. G. Jack, Mrs. Ronald Page, Mrs. O. Franks, Mrs. E. Callaghan and Mrs. A. E. Steward. Others present included Mrs. W. H. Gilmour, Mrs. P. Steward, Mrs. V. Zala, Mrs. H. W. Harris, Mrs. R. Alex. Payne, Mrs. R. N. Heyet, Mrs. F. Price, Mrs. David Bellhouse, Mrs. C. O. Twiss, Mrs. R. C. Stevens, Mrs. J. P. Hume, Mrs. D. A. New, Mrs. B. P. Russell, Mrs. A. E. Scoones, Mrs. L. T. Bellhouse, Mrs. E. J. Bambrick, Mrs. F. E. Robson, Mrs. F. C. Prior, Mrs. Howard Davis, Mrs. Allan Weber, Mrs. Gerald Steward, also Mrs. R. Hall, Mrs. Leslie Garrick and Miss Julia Hall of Mayne Island.

Commence Work On New Float

The pile driver belonging to the Pacific Pile Driving Co. is at Georgeson Bay, Galiano Island, to start work on the float.

M. Palmer, Mrs. F. Sharpe, was ranged tables, centred with miniserved at small attractively ar- ture Christmas trees decorated with silver and flanked by red ta- pers in log holders.

W.A. Hear Many Committee Reports

The Salt Spring Island branch of the Woman's Auxiliary met last Friday afternoon in the Par- ish Room, Ganges, with Mrs. G. H. Holmes presiding and Arch- deacon Holmes taking the devo- tional period.

Correspondence included let- ters from Hon. George Pearson, M.P., dealing with the subject of old age pensions; Miss Marion Norton regarding her work at Al- ert Bay; Mrs. Wilkinson, sec- retary of the Diocesan thankoff- ering boxes, and Mrs. Edmunds, in connection with the calendars.

Mrs. W. Norton, Dorcas sec- retary, handed in money for an article sold, and the treasurer re- ported a balance of \$357.71, in- cluding \$127.75 realized by the recent sale. It was decided to pay \$67.00 towards insurance on the Vicarage and St. Mark's Church, and also what was owing on Parish leaflets.

The sum of \$100 was voted towards the new Vicarage and \$50 towards the Parish Hall. Mrs. E. Ferris passed in \$14.32 derived from the sale of Christ- mas cards and Mrs. Harold Price reported on calendars sold.

A collection, which amounted to \$6.80, was taken up by Mrs.

H. A. Robinson for "Save the Children" fund. Tea hostesses were Mrs. H. C. Carter and Mrs. J. Croft.

ENTERTAIN AT THE TEA HOUR

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. (Pat) Crof- ton were hosts at the tea hour re- cently, when they entertained about thirty guests at "Spring Corner," Ganges, the home of Mr. Crofton's brother and sister- in-law, Lt.-Col. and Mrs. Desmond Crofton, at present in Vancouver for the winter.

The drawing room was dec- orated with bronze chrysanthemums and yellow winter jasmine, and at the table, artistically arranged with yellow jasmine and yellow tapers in pale blue and gold holders, tea was poured by Mrs. T. F. Speed. The hostess was as- sisted by Mrs. Graham Shove, Mrs. Fred Morris, Miss Denise Crofton and Miss Tommie Scott.

A toast to the host and hostess was proposed by A. J. Eaton, and replied to by Mr. Crofton, and one to Mrs. Shove, on the occa- sion of her birthday, by Major F. C. Turner.

Amongst those present were: Mrs. G. Borradaile, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Crofton, Mrs. Fred Crof- ton, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Crofton, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Eaton, Mrs.

South Salt Spring W.A. Thank Members

The South Salt Spring Women's Institute held their December meeting on Thursday, Dec. 5, at the home of Mrs. B. Jackson. Eleven members were present.

President Mrs. A. Davis opened the meeting by reading the aims and objects of the Institute. Min- utes of November meeting were read and approved and financial statement given.

Mrs. Townsend thanked the members for flowers sent to her while in hospital.

A vote of thanks was given Miss Gladys Shaw, for her work as librarian and all the work ac- complished by her in sending away the jam, made and contributed by the members for the Queen Alex- ander Solarium.

Tea was served by Mrs. B. Jackson and Mrs. Mollet.

J. Mitchell, Mrs. W. E. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott, Mrs. A. J. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Spring- ford, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Shove, Major and Mrs. F. C. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. D. Keith Wilson, Miss Denise Crofton, Miss J. Mitchell, Miss Catherine Popham, Misses Shirley and Bryde Wilson, J. D. Halley, Eric Springford.

Galiano after spending several weeks in Spokane, Wash. Her friends are all glad to see her back again and looking so well.

George St. Denis of Salt Spring Island was a recent visitor to Retreat Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Benn and family have left to spend Christ- mas at Gibson's Landing.

Bill Sparling and Jimmie Pet- ers have left for Vancouver for Christmas.

An enjoyable evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Baines in honor of Harry Baine's birthday.

Many Attend Birthday Party At "Barnsbury"

In honour of their daughter, Miss Shirley Wilson, and to cele- brate her birthday, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Wilson, assisted by Miss Bryde Wilson, entertained about forty guests recently at their home, "Barnsbury," Salt Spring Island.

Yellow jasmine and cotoneaster were used for the decoration of the reception rooms and supper table, and the evening was spent in bingo and various other games.

Amongst those present were: Mr. and Mrs. I. R. L. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Crofton, Mr. and Mrs. Pat Crofton, Mrs. Dor- othy Fanning, Mrs. V. Graham, Mrs. D. Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Graham Shove, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wickens, Miss Dulcie Crofton, Miss Vivian Layard, Miss Nonie

Passport Changes Soon In Effect

Major changes in the issuing of Canadian passports will come into effect Jan. 1, it was learned this week.

The chief changes are:

1. The cost will be raised from \$2 for a new one and \$1 for a five-year renewal, to \$5 and \$2.50.

2. They will indicate that the bearer is a Canadian citizen, rather than a British subject.

3. Separate passports will be obligatory for husband and wife, who formerly travelled on a joint document.

The citizenship regulation is in line with the Canadian Citizen- ship Act, which comes into force Jan. 1, 1947.

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FULFORD SALT SPRING ISLAND

Corr.: Mrs. T. M. Jackson Phone 16X

Mrs. Gavin Reynolds has re- turned to her home at Beaver Pt. after being a patient at the Lady Minto hospital, Ganges, for two weeks.

Mrs. Frank Reynolds and her daughter, Mrs. Chester Kaye have returned home to Fulford after a short visit to Victoria.

Mrs. MacKenzie, of Surrey, B.C., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. Cudmore at Fulford Har- bour.

Mrs. W. Cearley has returned to her home at Fulford after vis- iting her son-in-law and daugh-

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ter, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Isher- wood, at Alberni.

Mrs. Foote, of Vancouver, ar- rived at Fulford recently where she is visiting her niece, Mrs. E. Cudmore, for some time.

GANGES SALT SPRING ISLAND Corr.: Miss M. T. Holford

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Dobson, Ganges Harbour, left on Tuesday for Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Mac Young took up residence on Monday in one of Mrs. G. Borradaile's cottages, previously occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wakelin, who are now

visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wakelin.

After spending a month at Harbour House, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bibbs returned last week to Van- couver.

Don Jones, St. Marys Lake, has left for Vancouver where he is a patient for a week in Shaugh- nessy hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. M. York, Oak Bay, Victoria, have rented the cottage at Ganges belonging to Mrs. G. Borradaile and recently vacated by D. J. Hay.

Miss B. Rogers arrived from Edmonton last Saturday and is spending a week or so at Harbour House.

Colvin Drake has returned to Victoria after spending some days at Ganges visiting his father, A. W. Drake.

H. Kite, Ganges, left on Satur- day for Vancouver, where he is a patient in Shaughnessy hospital.

After some weeks at Harbour House, Mr. and Mrs. Enders and Mrs. Gillespie have returned to Vancouver.

GALIANO ISLAND

Corr.: Mrs. A. Hume.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Russell have returned home after spending the past month visiting in eastern Canada and the U.S.A.

Miss Dorothy Page, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Page during the past week returned to Vancouver on Saturday. Mrs. Page and Mrs. Ronald Page accompanied her.

D. A. New spent several days of last week in Vancouver.

Mrs. F. Price left on Saturday to visit her daughter, Miss M. C. Price, in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Bennett and Bobbie are spending ten days in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tower, who have spent the past six years on Galiano and Gossip Islands, have left for Sayward where they will reside.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Springett have taken up residence in their new home recently purchased from Charles Tower.

The directors of Galiano Golf and Country Club held a meeting on Saturday evening to draw up the agenda for the coming annual general meeting which will take place on the evening of Dec. 27.

Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz have re- turned to "The Haven," after visiting their son and daughter in Saskatchewan.

MAYNE ISLAND

Corr.: Mrs. Foster

Mrs. Wade and Mrs. Worth- ington are spending a week visit- ing in Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Foster have been spending a few days with the former's mother on their way to Vancouver.

Major Pender, of Victoria, vis- ited the island for a few days last week.

Stanley Robson has been in Vancouver this past week.

RETREAT COVE GALIANO ISLAND

Ross Brackett left on Wed- nesday morning for Vancouver returning the same day by plane.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald MacLenn are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Davin Reid for a few days.

Lois Laughlin and Miss Grace Bell have returned home after spending several days in Van- couver.

Mrs. Edith Heid has left for Vancouver where her husband will join her in a few days to spend the holiday season in Van- couver.

Mrs. Helen Wilson has return- ed to her new home at North



"... the merry voices and smiling faces ... crowd upon our mind at each recurrence of the season, as if the last assemblage had been but yesterday. Happy, happy Christmas, that can win us back to the delusions of our childish days, recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth, and transport the traveller back to his own fireside and quiet home!"

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At the Dominion Experimental Station, Harrow, investigation into the value of lights left on all night has shown a greater frequency and persistence of broodiness as well as a lower egg yield among birds under all night lights than in the pens where light was provided to make a 14-hour day.

Whether lights are used in the morning before sunrise, or kept on after sunset to extend the feeding period to 14 hours makes little difference in the rate of increase. Both systems can be relied upon to improve production, provided the birds are in good condition and the feed is enough to extend over the extra time.

As the egg laying for the day is usually finished by late afternoon

under an evening lighting system closing the nests at the time of the last meal of scratch grain, which should be about two hours before the lights go off, tends to lessen the degree of broodiness among birds which are predisposed to the trouble.

Because chickens, like most other birds, have the instinct and means to sleep comfortably on a perch, the use of a dimming device with evening lights provides the signal to seek their resting place in an orderly manner before darkness comes.

When an automatic switch is used to turn the lights on early in the morning and the birds are all wed to retire with the sun, scratch grain should be put in the pens after dark to provide warming food and exercise during the period prior to chore time the following morning.

As a general rule, the feeding times should be adjusted to the lengthened day to offset the dangers that may result from extended periods without attention.

Cooking To Time

Every trade and every craft has its own tools and its own language. The homemaker must use the right tool at the right time, and be able to follow specific instructions to achieve baking success. Many kitchen tragedies are the result of misunderstanding of directions, rather than faulty recipes.

Yesterday's recipes have been modernized to give more accurate information. Recipes that called for "butter, the size of an egg or a walnut," or "a handful of this or that" are seldom seen today. Definite amounts are stated, using standard, level measurements. By following such instructions the mixture will always be the same.

However, many a failure takes place in baking or roasting after careful preparation. The modern homemaker appreciates the costliness of failure and so prefers up-to-the-minute recipes, which state the degree of heat and time required for cooking. With this type of recipe success is assured not once or twice, but every time.

Most ranges today are equipped with oven thermometers or automatic heat controls. Should your range have neither a reliable oven thermometer may be purchased at a low price—a small investment, which will pay big dividends in better baking results. At no time of the year is the oven used oftener than at this season. Thus, to remove the hazards of failure and disappointment, the home economists of the Consumer Section, Dominion Department of Agriculture have some helpful baking tips to offer. Just a few words about the cooking of that Christmas bird—nothing short of perfection is demanded.

The bird of your choice should be meticulously groomed and then trussed. The trussed bird cooks more uniformly, browns more evenly and looks much better on the platter than one untrussed.

The homemakers' reputation as a cook, will stand or fall by the results of the next step. The proper cooking can spoil all. The best results are achieved by slow cooking with dry heat. Low temperatures assure better flavor and appearance, with less shrinkage and loss of juices. Use a shallow, uncovered pan, with no water. Place the bird on a rack, breast down, to start cooking, then turn to upright position when about three-quarters done. To test for doneness move the drumstick up and down. If the leg joint gives readily or breaks, the bird is done.

Christmas cakes should be baked in a slow oven. They are usually heavily fruited and baked in deep pans. Too high a temperature will cause a crust to form over the surface of the cake, which will prevent rising, as well as heat penetration. The pans should be lined with several thicknesses of well-greased, heavy brown paper, extending about one inch above the top of the pans. Fill pans about two-thirds full. To prevent scorching on the bottom, the pans should be raised slightly above the bottom of the oven or placed in a pan of sand or ashes. If your Christmas cake contains less fruit than usual, a higher baking temperature should be used. This is also true of light fruit cakes.

Cookies on the other hand are small and thin. They require a shorter cooking period at a higher temperature. Mixtures containing chopped fruit, chocolate, honey, or molasses will require a lower temperature. If the shortbread is baked in one large piece, use a slow oven, allowing longer baking time.

Here is a time-table, which will give you at a glance, the oven temperature and length of cooking time for the various Christmas foods you will be preparing:

Foods	Temperature	Time
Fruit Cake (dark, heavily fruited).....	Slow oven, 275°F.	for 2 1/2 to 3 1/2 hours.
Fruit Cake (dark, light fruited).....	Slow oven, 300°F.	(according to size of pan)
White Fruit Cake.....	Slow oven, 300°F.	for 2 1/2 hours (pan 7x7)
Shortbread.....	Moderately slow, 325°F.	for 1 1/2 hours (pan 7x7)
Cookies:		for 20-25 minutes.
Plain.....	Hot oven, 400°F.	
Containing chocolate, molasses, honey.....	Moderate oven, 350°F.	for 8-10 minutes.
Drop, with fruit.....	Moderate oven, 350°F.	for 10-12 minutes.
Chicken—4-8 lbs. (dressed weight).....	300°F. - 325°F.	for 12-15 minutes.
Turkey—8-10 lbs. (dressed weight).....	300°F.	for 30 minutes per lb.
11-16 lbs. (dressed weight).....	300°F.	for 25 minutes per lb.
17-25 lbs. (dressed weight).....	300°F.	for 20 minutes per lb.
Duck—3-8 lbs. (dressed weight).....	325°F.	for 18-20 minutes per lb.
Goose—10-12 lbs. (dressed weight).....	325°F.	for 20-25 minutes per lb.
Dressed Weight—Bird undrawn, including head and feet.		

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUND GAINS NEW HIGH

Employer-employee contributions paid into the Unemployment Insurance Fund during October reached an all-time monthly high, according to a statement for that month released by the Unemployment Insurance Commission. The total going into the fund from this source was \$6,585,574.37. This was \$1,265,891.85 greater than employer-employee payments in the corresponding month last year.

The increase in employer-employee contributions is attributable to much greater employment throughout the Dominion in October over the corresponding month last year, and Government contributions also were higher for the same reason. Interest on investments and profit on sale of securities also show an increase.

Total revenue also included Government's contribution of \$1,317,073.69, plus \$606,170.31 from interest on investments and profit on sale of securities.

Benefit payments dropped from \$3,398,101.44 in September to \$2,459,489.38 in October.

The net increase to the Fund during October was \$6,049,337.99. The balance in the Unemployment Insurance Fund of \$343,568,572.69 as at Oct. 31, 1946, was \$33,956,610.67 greater than at the same time last year.

Notice To Mariners

Mariners are advised by Dept. of Transport that a can buoy painted white is in position North 60° East Magnetic approximately one mile off Gordon Head, Haro's Strait, B.C., and is evidently fast to the bottom.

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Sometimes called the White Crane, the bird is about four feet in height when standing, with white plumage and black wing tips.

The Crane does not breed on the American west coast, but it is believed possible that it may sometimes visit this district.

REST HAVEN TO DISTRIBUTE CHRISTMAS BOXES TO NEEDY

At a meeting, in the Rest Haven Chapel on Saturday afternoon, which was sponsored by the Rest Haven Home and School Association, it was decided to make a drive for both funds and materials to distribute to needy families in Sidney and vicinity.

Mrs. H. Goertzen, the leader of this association, was chairman of an interesting meeting in which the spirit of Christmas was fully explained. It was pointed out that the real spirit of Christmas is to bring comfort and good cheer to the less fortunate. The leader then announced an offering would be taken and the money used for Christmas baskets for the needy. A sum of \$21.75 was received and more promised.

It was then suggested that the group go much further and make this more of a church effort. A committee, with H. A. Munson as chairman, was immediately appointed to work with the Home and School Association. This committee is working with the welfare agencies and is now getting names of needy families as well as collecting funds and more funds. Large boxes for gifts of foods, clothing, or toys are now placed in the Sanitarium lobby, the Rest Haven Church school, Mrs. Barton's Store, Sidney Cash and Carry, Stan's Grocery, and Sidney Trading Company. Already these boxes are beginning to fill and several boxes of apples, bags of potatoes and other foodstuffs have been received. Some of the Victoria wholesale houses are also giving fruits, vegetables and groceries.

It is planned that this material, along with what will be purchased with the cash on hand, will be gathered on Monday, Dec. 23, and, with the help of the Rest Haven school children, be made up into boxes to suit the needs of the various families and delivered on the afternoon of Dec. 24.

MINOR PROBLEM IN CHAIRS

How To Make 200 Chairs Into 500 For School Use?

One of the very minor problems faced by the School Board at Christmas time is how to make 200 chairs into 500 for district schools. Each year, the Board is faced with a series of requests from anxious teachers who have coached their pupils for school concerts. The play is ready, details all arranged, but chairs are always needed for the parents and spectators.

On Monday evening, the harassed Board, pondering bigger problems, again faced the need for more chairs than are possibly available. With 200 chairs an estimated 500 were sought.

BUSIEST SEASON

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It wasn't anything out of the way. Just a bowl of fresh raspberries, from the garden of Mr. and Mrs. C. Holt, Madrona Drive, Deep Cove, Sidney. The fruit was delicious and the Editor, who had received the gift, remarked on the fact. "Isn't it unusual," he said, "Oh, no, we think not,"

said Mr. Holt, "We pick them all year, they are nice, are they not?" This was last week. Now, Mr. Holt reports that the slight fall of snow has bent the raspberry canes.

But picking fresh raspberries in December is something to crow about . . . they don't do that in Penticton, Mr. Holt.

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By The Seeker.

Once I complained because I had no shoes, until I met a man who had no feet.—Persian Proverb.

Life is a tapestry. Everyone of us whether we are part of the drab background or part of the prominent design—flowers, landscape or human beings, are equally important. One stitch out of place could spoil the harmony of the whole.—Anon.

Boxing Day to Be Public Holiday

Boxing Day, December 26, will be a public holiday throughout British Columbia. Proclamation of the holiday is contained in a provincial order in council handed down last week.

LEGION PLAN NEW YEAR FROLIC AT MILLS ROAD

A menu designed to please the gourmet's taste has been arranged for the Legion New Year's Eve dance and frolic at the Mills Rd. Hall. As advertised elsewhere in this same issue, the complete menu promises a full Christmas dinner with the dance and frolic to shake it down.

Club facilities will be available, arrangements for the entertainment in hand. The popular hall on Mills Road has seen much use this year, since it was released back to the Legion from the Army. Regular weekly dances have been held and many meetings of the Saanich Peninsula branch of the Canadian Legion held there.

The Dance on December 21 will be a benefit for little Walter Jacobson, who is now in Denver seeking a cure for a serious illness.

THANKS TO ALL!

The Rotary Club of Sidney thanks most sincerely the artists who gave their talent and time, and those who assisted in every way in the presentation of the Variety Show. Thanks too, to the hundreds of district residents who made up such an appreciative audience.

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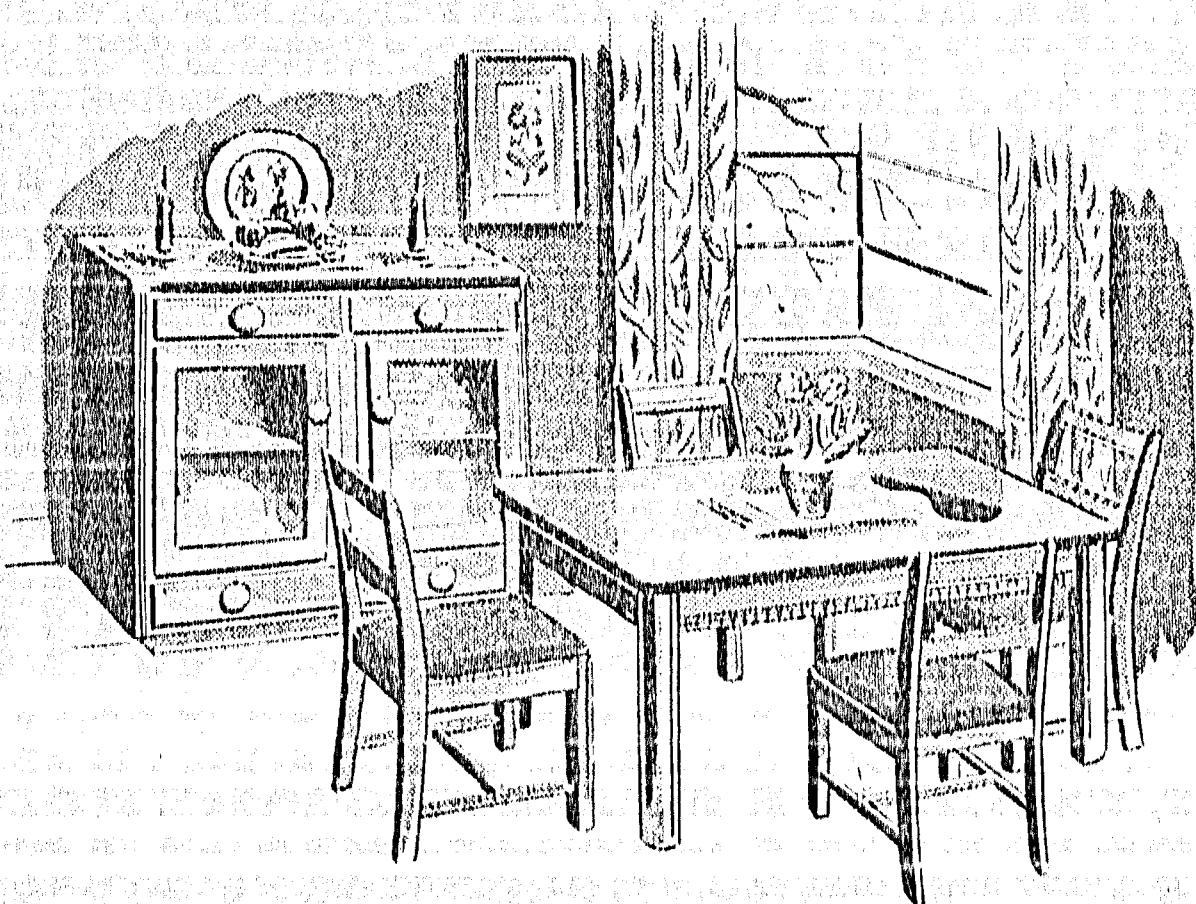
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